

2004 Hawaii Annual Tourism Marketing Plan Rollout Meetings

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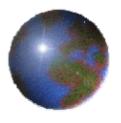




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Asia Overview



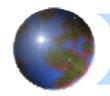


Market Overview

Asia Market Overview:

- Marketing to a population more than 7 times greater than the United States
- Covering a region more than 3 times the geographic area of the United States
- Consisting of 5 completely disparate markets and over 20 countries
- Given huge region size and limited budget, critically important to allocate resources strategically for maximum impact





Market Overview

Opportunities:

China:

- 16.6 million traveling overseas in 2002, record numbers
- 37% increase over 2001, <u>fivefold</u> increase in past 10 years, with further fivefold increase projected by 2010
- By 2020, the WTO predicts China will become a top outbound tourism market, with 100 million tourists including a massive 3 million long-haul pleasure travelers

Korea:

- New Zealand has increased travel from Korea from 17,000 pax in 1998 to 110,000 in 2002 it can be done
- The potential market for Hawaii in Korea is huge once visa issues have been resolved

Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore:

- Long haul outbound travel has completely recovered since SARS
- Aggressive campaigns by other destinations in Taiwan, Singapore, and Hong Kong validate the market recovery





Market Overview

Challenges:

- Lack of ADS Approval: main barrier to development of Hawaii tourism in China -- even playing-field, however, for business travel, VFR, study trips
- Visa Issues: Complexity of securing US visas is major competitive disadvantage in Korea, China, and Taiwan
- Airlift: Lack of non-stop air access is major issue to be addressed
- Competition: fierce competition with large budgets and aggressive marketing by Thailand, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Germany, Japan
- Conclusion: the key is how to position Hawaii more aggressively against these formidable competitors





Asia Strategy





Key Goals:

- To position Hawaii as the compelling choice, our marketing plan is designed to achieve the goals of the Ke Kumu Strategic Plan:
 - Promote Hawaii as the preferred destination
 - Increase awareness and presence of mind to globally competitive levels
 - Stimulate demand in shoulder periods
 - Leverage resources by collaborating with partners
 - Target active visitors to support increased visitor expenditures
 - Support television initiatives that showcase Hawaii



Key Strategies:

- To achieve the above goals, our 14 key strategies in the Other Asia MMA are as follows:
 - 1. Define Primary Geographic Focus
 - 2. Define Secondary Geographic Focus
 - 3. Target Mass Markets and Key Niche Markets
 - 4. Build Brand name/image
 - 5. Raise Visibility/Profile
 - 6. Develop Clear Key Messages for each market



Key Strategies (cont.):

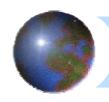
- 7. Expand Travel Trade Relationships
- 8. Increase Media Coverage
- 9. De-emphasize High Cost Advertising
- 10. Increase Shoulder Season Travel
- 11. Increase Visitor Expenditure
- 12. Develop Airlift Capacity
- 13. Support Government Relations
- 14. Conduct Intensive Research





Asia Marketing Program -- Highlights





Work Plan:

- To implement the 14 strategies described above, our Work Plan covers the following 5 major planned activities in Asia:
 - Travel trade marketing/sales
 - Public relations/Media Promotions
 - Consumer Marketing/Advertising
 - Research/Reporting
 - Other Strategic Initiatives





Key Activities:

- Expand Travel Trade Relationships: daily sales calls, monthly newsletter, travel trade workshops, trade web-site, minimum of 4 travel trade fam trips per year, 6 major consumer/travel trade fairs
- 2. Increase Media Coverage: three press offices, monthly press releases, monthly media newsletter, media interviews, 12 major media trips, clipping
- 3. Aggressive Consumer Marketing: tie-up advertising, advertorial, strategic tie-ups, media promotions, multi-language website
- 4. Intensive Market Research: Economic, competitive, travel monthly reports, media and trade research as basis of action plans
- 5. Strategic Initiatives: coordination with Island Bureaus, HCTA, KVA, airlines, agencies, strategic partners

 Marketing



A. Travel Trade Marketing



- Work aggressively with the travel trade to increase number/quality/capacity of Hawaii packages/FIT travel
- Sales calls (All markets)
- 6 major annual trade/consumer fairs (All markets)
- Hawaii Tourism Seminars/Workshops (China. Korea, Taiwan)
- 4 major annual fam tours for travel trade (All markets)
- Monthly travel trade newsletter (All markets)
- Crisis management plan (All markets)





B. Public Relations/ Media Promotions



- Low-cost/high-impact publicity campaign
- Value (equivalent advertising value) to exceed at least ten times cost of securing coverage
- Press office/inquiry handling (Shanghai, Seoul, Taipei)
- Monthly press releases (China, Korea, Taiwan)
- Monthly media newsletter (All markets)
- Media Interviews (All markets)
- 12 major annual media trips (All markets)
- Media monitoring (China. Korea, Taiwan)





C. Consumer Marketing/ Advertising



- Provide stream of destination information to travelers, media, travel trade, strategic partners
- Inquiry Response (All markets)
- Dedicated HTA phone lines (Shanghai, Seoul, Taipei)
- Visual library (Shanghai, Seoul, Taipei)
- Multilingual web-site as an active marketing tool
- Establish branding/key messages (All markets)
- Tie-up advertising/advertorial (All markets)





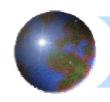
D. Research & Reporting



- Conduct market research identifying Asia marketing opportunities and weaknesses
- Monthly Activity Report
- Monthly Market Report
- Monthly Economic Report
- Travel Trade/Media Research -- in-depth survey of leading agents, travel trade/consumer media
- Research based marketing plan







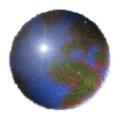
E. Other Strategic Initiatives



- Communicate actively with Island Bureaus, Hawaii Chinese Tourism Association (HTCA), Korean Visitor Association (KVA), and other key stakeholders in Hawaii
- Negotiate strategic partnerships with travel trade players to establish joint Hawaii promotion
- Establish tie-up media partnerships with strategic partners to extend reach of limited budget
- Airline/government agency relations

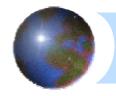






Asia Intended Results

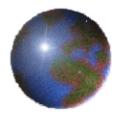




Key results

- 1. Expanded Travel Trade Relationships: 4,700 agents in Korea, 65 major agents in China, top 5 wholesalers in Taiwan, major airlines in each market are our key partners to market to this massive market → educate and motivate
- 2. Increased Media Coverage: dramatically raise profile and visibility for Hawaii as a destination in print and electronic media in China, Korea, and to a lesser extent, Taiwan → consumers highly susceptible to media power
- 3. Low-cost Consumer Marketing: secure tie-up partnerships given limited budget → rely primarily on media and agents
- 4. Research-driven marketing: all marketing activities based on intensive research with key constituents → feedback from media and travel trade to tailor marketing plans
- 5. Strategic Initiatives: coordinate closely with Island Bureaus, HCTA, KVA, airlines, agencies, strategic partners





Opportunities to Partner





Opportunity Summary

Opportunities in Hawaii:

- Monthly E-mail blast to Island Bureaus and members soliciting product/campaign news for distribution in Asia
- Local liaison office in Honolulu to support coordination of group media trips, travel trade fam trips, and to act as communication liaison
- A minimum of 4 major travel trade Fam Trips per year to Hawaii for key planners in China, Korea, and Taiwan
- Mini Trade shows in Hawaii with Asian travel trade during these fam trips
- A minimum of 4 major group media trips by Asian media with monthly smaller scale media trips
- Promotional Events involving local communities –
 Chinese Festival, Korean Immigration Memorial Festival
- Special Events Promotions Marathons. Festivals, etc.

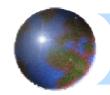




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Opportunities in Asia:

- Monthly newsletter with vendor news/campaigns etc. sent to over 1000 wholesalers and media in each Asian market
- New web power with event calendar, news updates monthly
- Participation opportunities in 3 major and 4-5 minor Travel Trade/Consumer Shows in Asia
- Aloha Cities Seminars in Seoul, Shanghai, and Taipei
- Special Events Promotions Marathons, Festivals, etc.
- Promotional Events involving local communities –
 Chinese Festival, Korean Immigration Memorial Festival
- Monthly update E-mail blast sent to all Island Bureaus and members to update on activities/opportunities in Asia

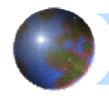


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Island Bureau joint marketing:

- We will act as eyes, ears, hands, and feet for the Island Bureaus throughout Asia
- Encourage vendors to participate in Aloha Cities Seminars in Seoul, Shanghai, Taipei
- Representation in Travel Trade/Consumer Shows in Asia
- Press trip support for key Asian media
- Fam Trip support for key Travel Wholesalers
- Mini Trade shows in Hawaii in conjunction with Fam Trips
- Special Events Promotions Marathons, Chinese Festival, Korean Immigration Memorial Festival etc.



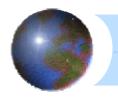


Summary

- Market Potential: massive
- Challenges: complex visa and airlift issues to be resolved over time
- Relationships: establish key travel trade networks and relationships – both for immediate growth in visitor numbers and as a vital foundation for future growth
- Image: tremendous potential to raise the visibility of Hawaii as a destination by partnering aggressively with key media in each market throughout Asia
- Infrastructure: marketing offices in Seoul, Shanghai, and Taipei, with specialized travel trade marketing and media staff in each office hitting the streets every day -- will secure results

Marketing Garden

Targets: to drive increased passenger traffic from Asia to Hawaii in 2004 -- position Hawaii aggressively in what is the world's largest travel market of the coming decade



Marketing Garden

